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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned patent application as follows:

In the Claims

Please cancel claim 1.

Please add new claims 27-40 as follows:

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27. (New) A catheter tube hub having a lumen therethrough and a proximal and distal portion,

the proximal portion being configured as a connector;

the distal portion being configured as a strain relief; and

the lumen being configured to receive the catheter tube.